REMARKS

The Advisory Action has been carefully considered.

In connection with the issues raised by the Examiner in the Advisory Action, applicant retained claim 28 which was considered as allowable by the Examiner, as the only independent claim currently on file.

Claims 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 21, 23 and 24 have been amended to depend directly or indirectly on claim 28. Since these claims share the allowable features of claim 28, it is believed that they should be considered as being allowable as well.

Reconsideration and allowance of the present application is most respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner require or consider it advisable that the specification, claims and/or drawings be further amended or corrected in formal respects in order to place this case in condition for final allowance, then it is respectfully requested that such amendments or corrections be carried out by Examiner's Amendment, and the case be passed to issue. Alternatively, should the Examiner feel that a personal discussion might be helpful in advancing this case to allowance, he is invited to telephone the undersigned (at 631-549-4700).

Respectfully submitted,

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